(c) The import of beedies has been taking place all these years and Government are not aware of any unemployment taking place on that account, As a matter of fact enquiries show that more and more beedies are being manufactured in the State than before.

(d) 1,28,72,800 Beedies. Cost between Rs. 56,320 and Rs. 64,365.

(e) Yes.

(f) (1) Beedi Thozhilali Union, Irrinjalakkuda (2) Beedi Thozhilali Union, Kattur (3) Beedi Thozhilali Union, Kuzuhpilli.

(g) and (h) Please see the statement appended. *(Appendix IV)*

(i) Yes. There were representations to fix the wages of the workers but not for fixing selling price of beedi to bacco and beedi leaves.

(j) The disputes regarding wages in Irinjalakkuda, Kattur and Kuzhupilli were amicably settled. It is also not practicable to fix such wages as they vary in different places according to the conditions obtaining in each locality.

SAMPRATHIES IN SERVICE

654. മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. ഐ. വേലായുധൻ: താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യത്തിന്നു് ഗവർമ്മെണ്ടു് സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ.—

(എ) ആകെ കൊച്ചി രാജ്യത്തിൽ എത്ര സമ്പ്രതികർ ഉണ്ടു്; അവരുടെ ശമ്പളം എന്തു്;

(ബി) ബ്രിട്ടീഷിലും തിരുവിതാംകൂറിലും സമ്പ്രതികർക്കുള്ള പേർ എന്തു്;

(സി) സമ്പ്രതികർക്കുള്ള കുറഞ്ഞ Literary ബിരുദു് എത്ര;

(ഡി) Comptroller of Accounts നു് അവരുടെ മീതെ എന്തെങ്കിലും അധികാരമുണ്ടോ; ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ എന്തെല്ലാം;

(ഇ) Comptoller of Accounts ഓഫീസിൽ ബി. എ. പാസ്സായിട്ടുള്ള ഒരു ക്ലാർക്കിന്റെ ഗ്രെയിഡു് (grade) എന്തു്;

(എഫ്) ദിവാൻ പേഷ്കാർക്കു ഇവരുടെ മീതെ എന്തെങ്കിലും അധികാരമുണ്ടോ; ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ എന്തെല്ലാം?

റാവു സാഹിബ് എ. മാധവ പ്രഭു:

(എ) സ്ഥിരം സമ്പ്രതിമാർ നു. അവരിൽ ഒ പേർ വ്യ—ഫ ൦ ൦ വരെയും ര പേർ ന്യ—വ്യ ൦ വരേയും ശമ്പളമുള്ളവരാണു്. ന്യ—വ്യ ൦ വരെശമ്പളത്തിൽ രണ്ടു താല്ക്കാലിക നിയമനങ്ങൾകൂടിയുണ്ടു്.

(ബി) ഇവിടത്തെ സമ്പ്രതിമാരുടെ ചുമതലകൾക്കു മാത്രമായി അവിടങ്ങളിൽ തസ്തികകൾ ഉണ്ടോ എന്നു് നിശ്ചയമില്ല.

(സി) ബി. എ.

(ഡി) ഉണ്ടു്. കൊച്ചിൻ എക്കൌണ്ടു് കോഡു് ഫ-ാം വാള്യം ഒ-ാം ഭാഗം നോക്കുക.

(ഇ) ഈ ആഫീസ്സിൽ ബി. എ. പാസ്സായിട്ടുള്ള ആഡിററർമാർക്കു് സാധാരണ ഒ ൽ—ഫ ൦ ൦ വരെയാണു് ശമ്പളം.

(എഫ്) താലൂക്കാപ്പീസ്സിലെ ഉദ്യോഗസ്ഥന്മാരായ സമ്പ്രതിമാരുടെ മീതെ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെണ്ടു് മേലധികാരി എന്ന നിലയ്ക്കുള്ള എല്ലാ അധികാരവും ദിവാൻ പേഷ്കാർക്കുണ്ടു്.

Mrs. KUTTAN NAYAR—TRANSFER—REQUEST FOR

655. Mr. V. R. Krishnan Ezhuthassan *(Oorakam)*: Will Government be pleased to state.—

(a) are Government aware of the fact that Mrs. Kuttan Nayar is not keeping good health for the last few years;

(b) do Government know that she had to undergo medical treatment very often during the last ten years and that she was also operated upon for a serious complaint;

(c) was not her husband kept in detention without trial by the Government for a long time;

(d) did not Mrs. Kuttan Nayar request for a transfer to Trichur during these occasions;

(e) what was the reasons for the Government to refuse her request?

Rao Sahib I. N. Menon *(Director of Public Instruction)*:

(a) She has been on leave for reasons of health. That is all that is known.

(b) She had to undergo an operation, but Government have no information regarding the treatment, if any, undergone by her during the last ten years.

(c) Yes, from 11th February 1941 to 1st March 1942.

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(*d*) Yes.

(*e*) Her request for a transfer to Trichur has not been refused; but it has been noted for consideration when a suitable chance arises.

CULTIVATION OF PADDY

656. **Mr. P. T. Jacob** *(Latin-Christians-Mattancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether the rice available from the paddy cultivation in the State is nearly 1,00,000 (one hundred thousand) tons per year;

(*b*) whether more than 10 per cent is needed for seed reserve;

(*c*) would not there be available at least 75 per cent of the total production of rice for general consumption;

(*d*) how many paddy cultivating landlords are there who have 50 and more acres of land in their possession and the extent of land they possess; what is the quantity of paddy commandeered from them in the previous year;

(*e*) what is the total acreage under cultivation below 50 acre holdings; and what was the quantity of paddy commandeered from them in the previous year?

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):*

(*a*) The estimated yield of rice, if there is no crop failure, will be nearly 90,000 tons per year. In 1121, M.E., owing to partial crop failure it is estimated to be about 80,000 tons only.

(*b*) On an average only 10 per cent of the gross yield is needed for seed.

(*c*) No. The quantity available for procurement and rationing will be the total production minus (1) 10 per cent for seed, (2) 10 per cent for "vally" (wages in kind), (3) 40 per cent to 50 per cent as allowance to land-holders for domestic consumption; that is, between 60 and 70 per cent will be needed for cultivation and domestic consumption of land-holders and their dependants. The term 'Landholder' includes both the Jenmi and the tenant as well as their dependants. The allowance given averages 3 paras paddy per adult per month. Hence the net quantity available for purchase will be between 30 and 40 per cent of the gross yield only.

(*d*) & (*e*) The statistics called for are not available. It may, however be pointed out that the information will not be of use to gauge the success of the procurement scheme, for the following reasons.—

(1) The yield per acre per year in different taluks varies from 20 paras to 200 or even 300 paras.

(2) The quantity availabe for purchase will depend on whether the land is directly cultivated by the owner or leased out. In many cases lands let out on Kanam tenure are leased sub-leased and cultivated on Varam or Pankupattam basis. In such cases all the persons having a lien on the land come under the category of landholders, and they and their dependants have to be given paddy allowance, over and above the fixed quantity allowed per acre for seed and vally. Hence the number of holdings, big and small, cannot give any true indication of the quantity available for purchase.

FOOD DEPARTMENT—CASTE-WAR STATEMENT

657. **Mr. P. K. Dewer** *(Nominated):* Will Government be pleased to give a caste-war statement of the officers in the Food Department in the following grades.—

(*a*) 25—40;
(*b*) 40—60;
(*c*) 60—80;
(*d*) 80—100;
(*e*) 100—150;
(*f*) 150—200;
(*g*) Over Rs. 200;

how many of these men were appointed from other Departments and what was their pay in their respective Departments when they were taken over to the Food Department;

how many of the Officers in the Food Department were appointed from outside the services. Please give a caste-war statement of those officers with their respective pay

Rao Sahib M. M. Paul *(Director of Food Supplies):*

(*a*) to (g) A statement containing the information is placed on the table.

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